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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully requests that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicant requests that a copy of the 1449 form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicant with the next official communication.

The attached documents were discovered as a result of a Search Report in Applicants' corresponding foreign patent application. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the cited documents and the Search Report. The concise explanation and relevance of the non-English language documents is believed to be provided by the category listing, e.g. "A", "X", "Y", etc., on the enclosed Search Report according to MPEP 609.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.


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Respectfully submitted,


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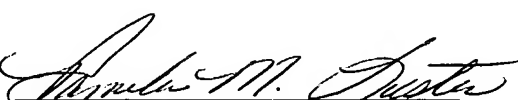
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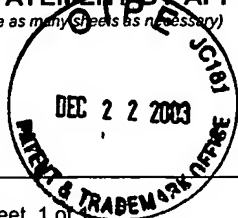
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US PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initial *	USP Document Number	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If Appropriate
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- ☒ A return postcard.
- ☒ A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs.), Form 1449 (1 pg.).
- ☒ The International Search Report from International Application No. PCT/US03/17579 (8 pgs.).

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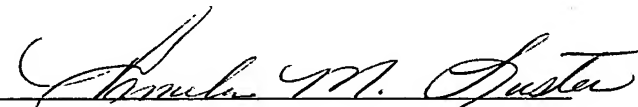
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